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Applicants:	Karel F.A.A. Smits et al.	Examiner:	Unknown
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Title:	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMPARTING CURVES IN IMPLANTABLE ELONGATED MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS		

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Respectfully submitted,

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In re Application of: Karel F.A.A. Smits, et al.

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMPARTING CURVES IN IMPLANTABLE ELONGATED MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS

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Sir:

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- ☒ Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application
- ☒ Signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Part 2
- ☒ Return Postcard

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☐ Applicant hereby petitions for a \_\_\_\_\_ months' extension of time. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this petition therefor.

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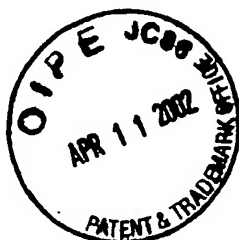


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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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